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1. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2002-62842 dated February 28, 2002, together with English abstract.
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3. U.S. Patent No. 5,091,773 dated February 25, 1992.

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4. Japanese Patent Publication No. 10-319506 dated December 4, 1998, together with English abstract.
5. U.S. Patent No. 6,246,446 dated June 12, 2001.
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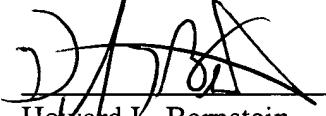
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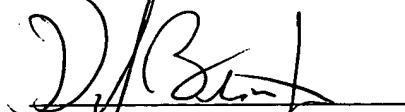
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